

HOUSE RESOLUTION 388  
By Brooks (Shelby)

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Michelle Lothrop Hammett, 2004 Salutatorian of Carter High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Lothrop Hammett is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2004 graduating class at Carter High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Hammett has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Michelle Hammett has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average and special recognition in Art, Internet Navigation, English III, Spanish, Biology II, Conservation, English II, Chemistry, Family and Consumer Science, World Geography, and Advanced Placement U.S. History; and

WHEREAS, lending her support and leadership to numerous organizations, Miss Hammett is a participant in several extracurricular and community activities, including Art Club, Climbing Club, Conservation Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Future Business Leaders of America, Inter Club Council, Key Club, Knoxville Youth Advisory Board, Mu Alpha Theta, National Honor Society, Scholars' Bowl, Student Council, Student Government Association, Ski Club, Spanish Club, Teens for Christ, Teen Leadership Board, Youth Alive, and Y-Teens; and

WHEREAS, within these many organizations, Michelle has demonstrated remarkable leadership in such positions as Student Council Representative, Conservation Club President, Y-Teens President, National Honor Society Treasurer, Inter Club Council, Y-Teens Publicity



Chair, Spanish Club Treasurer, Y-Teens Inter-City Club Representative, Knoxville Youth Advisory Board Member, and Student Government Association Representative; and

WHEREAS, Michelle's accomplishments and promise have been evident during her high school tenure, and she has received numerous local, regional, and national awards, including Outstanding Students of America, National Honor Roll, Student of the Month, Woodmen of the World Award, Gardner-Webb University Junior Scholar Award, Converse College Junior Scholar Award, Mu Theta Alpha, National Honors Society, First Honors, Celebrate Literacy Award for Achievement in Writing and Creativity, and *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Michelle has received numerous academic nominations to attend various national and regional conferences, receive national awards, and represent her school; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated public servant, Miss Hammett's extensive involvement has extended beyond the classroom and into the surrounding community; she has served her community as a public library aide, Christmas caroler, church library aide, and tutor, and she has participated in Fantasy of Trees, Beautification of City Project (Recycling), Love Kitchen, Mobile Meals, Operation Backyard, Vacation Bible School, Women Today Expo, and other miscellaneous volunteer activities; and

WHEREAS, Miss Hammett's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Miss Hammett's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mrs. Margaret Kellam and Dr. Jay Hammett, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Hammett's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Carter High School Salutatorian, Michelle Lothrop Hammett, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.